

LAKE QUINSIGAMOND COMMISSION

Wednesday, July 28, 2004 minutes

Shrewsbury, Municipal Town Hall

Present:

Chairperson Chief A. Wayne Sampson Nicholas Pepper; Cpt.Ashe; Kenneth Polito; Michael Paika;

Absent: John Wilson; Tristan Lundgren; Melvin Gordon; Arthur LeDoux

Meeting convened at 7:04 p.m.

Motion to approve minutes of June 23, 2004 meeting, seconded and unanimous

All bills and expenses submitted; motion to accept, seconded and unanimous

Commissioner's reports:

K.Polito- Shrewsbury Conservation Commission- Two order of conditions

1. Vinny Testa's to install footings to reinforce outside deck
 2. Dredge 8 cu.yd material from Donahue Rowing Center- sand under docks
- Also received complaint regarding trash, & parking at Brownie dock ramp

Capt.Ashe- Constantly dealing with above mentioned issue, suggests residents to submit a plate number if possible.

M.Paika: Drawdown this fall- Flint Pond residents supporting an earlier start for cleanup and to invite Nancy Allen, Board of Health Director to our next meeting.

b. Weed treatment-joined efforts w/ community has seen significant benefits.

c. Request for signs under the rte 9 bridge- wake speed 6 mph

c. Cleanup organized by the LQ Watershed removed approx. 55 shopping carts, five bikes, etc. Special thanks to co-ordinator Lincoln Pearson and all the volunteers - great job and appreciated.

d. Speed limit at night-according to LQC rules & specifications is not specific. (No night operation) The State rules, shall be included in our r & r. N.Pepper stated that a posted 20 mph at dusk sign is located at the rte 20 bridge. Still missing headway speed signs, and Chief will follow up.

e. Worcester Public Access- Channel 3

Chief - spoke with Tracey (new contact person). For future meetings, we need to contact Bill Nay from SPAC and forward all tapes for airing.

g. Canadian geese- noticeable problem (too many, causing high coliform count). N. Pepper suggests Do Not Feed, and to add a product called Goosebegone to lawns. (It makes the grass sour and they relocate.)

Chief Sampson to contact Fisheries & Games for other suggestions.

h. Trampoline rafts- reminder, these must be registered and daily returned to shore (not permanently moored).

Cpt.Ashe: Worcester Police boat is operational. Any problems please call 508 799-8674. Officers are available day and night.

N.Pepper: processed 480 dock permits, another 60 before completion.

b. Since boards were installed at Stringer Dam, several marker buoys have been missing at the following locations:

Sunset Beach- two sides of island

Middle south end of lake and two at Bridle Path

Chairman Sampson: The Shrewsbury Police boat is in.

b. Construction ongoing at Boathouse

c. Docks- all new dock applications have been inspected and if anyone is still waiting, please call.

Regarding N. Lake Avenue applications, a letter with approval from the city of Worcester is in order.

We cannot issue, granting access to cross Worcester property, install stairs, or cut hole in guard rail.

d. LAKE VIEW LANDING hearing. A synopsis was given:

One year ago, @ LVL. -an inspection was done, and letter sent, explaining five rules broken. These problems still exist and conditions are in full force and effect. Noting, deeded water rights are not legal and No boats are to be anchored inside.

Continue hearing on Wednesday, August 25, @ 7:15 pm

Resident, of LVL Bruce Andrews willing to rectify and resolve problems with commission. Chief suggested to make appointment next week, to address issues in advance.

J.Donahue requesting a letter for personal records and offered photos to commission, accepted.

Public hearing postponed and continued for future discussion.

Correspondence:

1. Received WCC agenda July 26
2. Request from L.Q.R.Association - permits for 2 races (WPI & St. Johns are sponsors) boating events to take place Fall 2004. No closing of ramps-dates October 30 and November 7. Motion to approve, seconded and unanimous.
3. Map for lake depth , per Capt Ashe- website- www.masswildlife.org.
4. Thank you to Mr.Henderson, who provided contact person, Jack Shepard- Public Access Board
5. Received letter- June 16 from Rep.Polito, currently in the Senate, an awaiting status on LQC legislature
6. Received list of Personal watercraft regulations by Commonwealth of MA. Suggests to print brochures for next year and include with dock renewals.
7. Corazzinni ramp construction ongoing- Scheduled to be opened each weekend.
8. Correspondence: LQWatershed – last meeting, all items discussed.
9. Received letter LQ Rowing regarding SS Masters Rowing Championship. Representative reviewed course and facilities. Major event is scheduled for next summer (August) and will provide us with additional information. Mr. Hokanson, resident questioned why several 8 man shells are on the lake on Saturdays in the month of June. Concerned as to the time limits boaters usage v.s. rowing. Scheduling for these events should be outside the summer 3 months time frame. Also concern of rowing boats coming too close to docks during actual races. Chief suggests a full meeting w/ QRA regarding safety, restrictions, etc.
10. Drawdown –to discuss, and weed treatment (funding)

New Business: Lincoln Pearson received email from Mr.Miller concern- lack of police patrol –Chief S and Worcester Police are patrolling on priority basis, considering budgeting restrictions. Goal is policing every evening and weekends and adjusted as needed.

b. Suggestion: Ramp signage at Brownie Beach to be printed both English & Spanish.

c. Loose docks should be reported to Police Departments.

d. Serving 15 years on this board, a truly dedicated representative from Worcester, Police Cpt Ashe is retiring. His genuine service, with tremendous passion for this organization has been greatly appreciated and will be missed. On behalf of all, we want to sincerely thank you and extend our Bests Wishes for your retirement.

Motion to adjourn at 8:05pm, seconded

Next meeting to be August 25, 2004 at 7:00pm

Respectfully submitted,

K. Hemmerdinger